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Long Beach Man Charged with Raping Elderly Woman

A 40-year-old man was charged today for allegedly breaking into an elderly woman's home and sexually assaulting her, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Emmanuel Stanley Reales (dob 9/10/74) of Long Beach has been charged with three felony counts: forcible rape, forcible oral copulation and first-degree residential burglary, person present in case NA102008.

Additionally, the felony complaint alleges that Reales was previously convicted and served prison terms for assault with a deadly weapon in 2001 and receiving stolen property in 2007.

The defendant is scheduled to be arraigned this afternoon in Department So1 at the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Long Beach Branch. Prosecutors will ask bail be set at \$2.75 million.

Deputy District Attorney Lee Ashley Cernok, who is assigned to the case, said in the early morning of June 6, an 88-year-old woman woke up to find the sliding door open in her Harbor City home.

At that point, Reales allegedly attacked the elderly woman and began to sexually assault her, the prosecutor said. The victim was able to break free, run to a neighbor's home and call police.

Soon after, authorities arrived at the scene and canvassed the area for the suspect. Reales was arrested in connection with the attack two days later.

If convicted as charged, the defendant faces a possible maximum sentence 112 years to life in state prison.

The case is being investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department.

About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the <u>Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office</u> prosecuted more than 71,000 felony defendants and nearly 112,000 misdemeanor defendants.